the most direct route to New York, they conducting themselves with August 23 Propriety on their Situation & to be accounted for in any Exchange No. 24 which may hereafter take place.

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## [Council to The Officer of the Guard, Annapolis]

August 23 Liber No. 78

We have determined to release Holton Jones and James Harrison, p. 366 and to permit them to go to New York to be exchanged; you will release them accordingly.

[Council to Abraham Skinner Esqr Commy Genl of Prisoners]

Ibid.

We have this Day released Holton Jones and James Harrison, Prisoners from the British, who were taken in the Chesapeake, and have permitted them to return to New York, to be exchanged. We give you this Information, that you may have them accounted for in your Settlement with the British Commissary of Prisoners.

## Saturday 24th August 1782

August 24 Liber C. B.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to James Cromwell No. 24 sixteen Pounds, Valentine Develt, nine Pounds, thirteen shillings and p. 326 four Pence & Robert Bradley Tyler fifteen Pounds, one shillings & eight Pence specie agreeable to the Act to adjust the Debts due from this State per Accounts passed.—

Commission of Letters of Marque & Reprisal issued to Joseph Dority Commander of the Ship Phenix two hundred tons burthen navigated by thirty five men, mounting ten Carriage Guns, belonging to Isaac, Abraham & Andrew Vanbibber of Baltimore.-

## [Council to Honble Intendent]

August 24 Liber No. 78

Although you cannot admit that you are in any Manner subject to p. 366 our Controul and Direction, in your Office, we shall, whenever we think the Interest of the State requires it, call on you for Information and direct you, as to the Disposition and Management of the Revenue, and the Payment of Debts, and prevent the Waste and Misapplication of the public Property. The Power we have exercised over you, is not assumed, it is vested in the Executive by the Constitution, and the Act of Assembly creating the Office of Intendant. By the Constitution, all Civil Officers who hold Commissions otherwise than during good Behaviour, are amenable to the Executive, and may be sus- p. 367 pend for Misconduct in Office, from whence we infer, that it is not only our Right but Duty, to enquire into the Transactions of the Intendant and call on him for Information. By the Act of Assembly already mentioned, the Intendant is to consult and advise with the Governor and the Council on the State and Management of the